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Dear Administrator Jackson,

I urge you to enforce Clean Water Act standards and holdVirginia accountable for cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay. If my state does not meet its requirement for a clean-up plan, EPA should take the following actions: improve pollution standards from point sources; rewrite or deny pollution discharge permits; and/or assume responsibility for Virginia's water.

For years we have heard promises that our government leaders would act to save the Bay, yet dead zones, fish kills and closed beaches persist. We need a healthy Bay and rivers for jobs, food and recreation. While it is our state's responsibility to act, the federal government must keep the pressure on and hold Virginia accountable for its pollution.

Virginia needs to do their part in cleaning up the Bay. Please use EPA to help make that happen. I look forward to a response to this letter from you.

Sincerely, Fastil Curn

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